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1. THERE FOLLOWS IN PARA 3 BELOW THE TEXT OF A PARAGRAPH ON MBFR PROPOSED BY THE NETHERLANDS FOR THE SUMMIT COMMUNIQUE.
2. AT THE MAY 22 SPC MEETING ON MBFR (REF A, PARA 2), SPC DECIDED THAT THREE COMMUNIQUE DRAFTS NOW ON THE TABLE WOULD BE COLLATED BY THE SPONSORING DELEGATIONS, AND A COMPOSITE DRAFT PRESENTED FOR SPC CONSIDERATION MAY 24 OR 25.

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3. BEGIN TEXT: WITH RESPECT TO MBFR, THE PARTICIPATING ALLIES RECALLED THAT THEY HAVE RECENTLY INTRODUCED A MAJOR NEW INITIATIVE. THEY EXPRESSED THE HOPE THAT THIS NEW MOVE WHICH TAKES INTO ACCOUNT EASTERN CRITICISM OF CERTAIN ASPECTS OF THE PREVIOUS ALLIED PROPOSALS WILL MOVE THE VIENNA NEGOTIATIONS NEARER TO AN AGREEMENT. THEY STRESSED THE IMPORTANCE THEY ATTACH TO A POSITIVE EASTERN RESPONSE,

AND EMPHASIZED THE NEED FOR AN ELIMINATION OF THE EXISTING
GROUND FORCE MANPOWER DISPARITY IN THE CENTRAL REGION
WHICH WOULD ENHANCE STABILITY AND STRENGTHEN PEACE AND
SECURITY IN EUROPE. END TEXT. GLITMAN

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